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PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests a one (1) month extension of the period for response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2002. The response date set in the Office Action was January 30, 2003. A response is being filed herewith today, February 27, 2003, which is within the first month after the response date. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00, which is the fee for a one month extension.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended by one (1) month so that the response filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

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